



# Fire Sprinkler Maintenance

The **County of San Diego Watershed Protection Program** supports businesses in their efforts to prevent pollution by offering these important Stormwater Best Management Practices (BMPs).

❗ Water that is released into the streets, gutters, and storm drains in San Diego County IS NOT TREATED before it reaches our local creeks, rivers, and the ocean. All sources of pollution are prohibited from leaving your property and entering streets or storm drains. Only rainwater is allowed in the streets and storm drains. **These tips for fire sprinkler maintenance will help keep our waterways clean.**

- ❑ Consider the system volume and duration of the test to plan for adequate BMPs.
- ❑ Sweep and pick up any trash, debris, and sediment downstream from maintenance test area.
- ❑ Temporarily protect nearby storm drain inlets.
- ❑ If water is potable, consider recycling or disposal to landscaping.
- ❑ Dispose of system test waters to an infiltration pit, holding tank, or pervious surface (as long as the surface is able to absorb all of the water).
- ❑ Dispose of wastewater to the sewer system with prior authorization from the sewer agency.

❗ Releasing pollutants directly or indirectly into the storm drain system or waterways is a violation of the County's Watershed Protection Ordinance (WPO). **Your business is required to comply with the WPO and the following minimum BMPs.**

we can  
**protect our  
waterways**  
with just  
a few steps.

**thank you** for doing your part to protect our waterways.



For more information, call the Stormwater Hotline at (888) 846-0800 or visit [www.sandiegocounty.gov/stormwater](http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/stormwater) for the WPO.